

An Attractor for Natural Supersymmetry

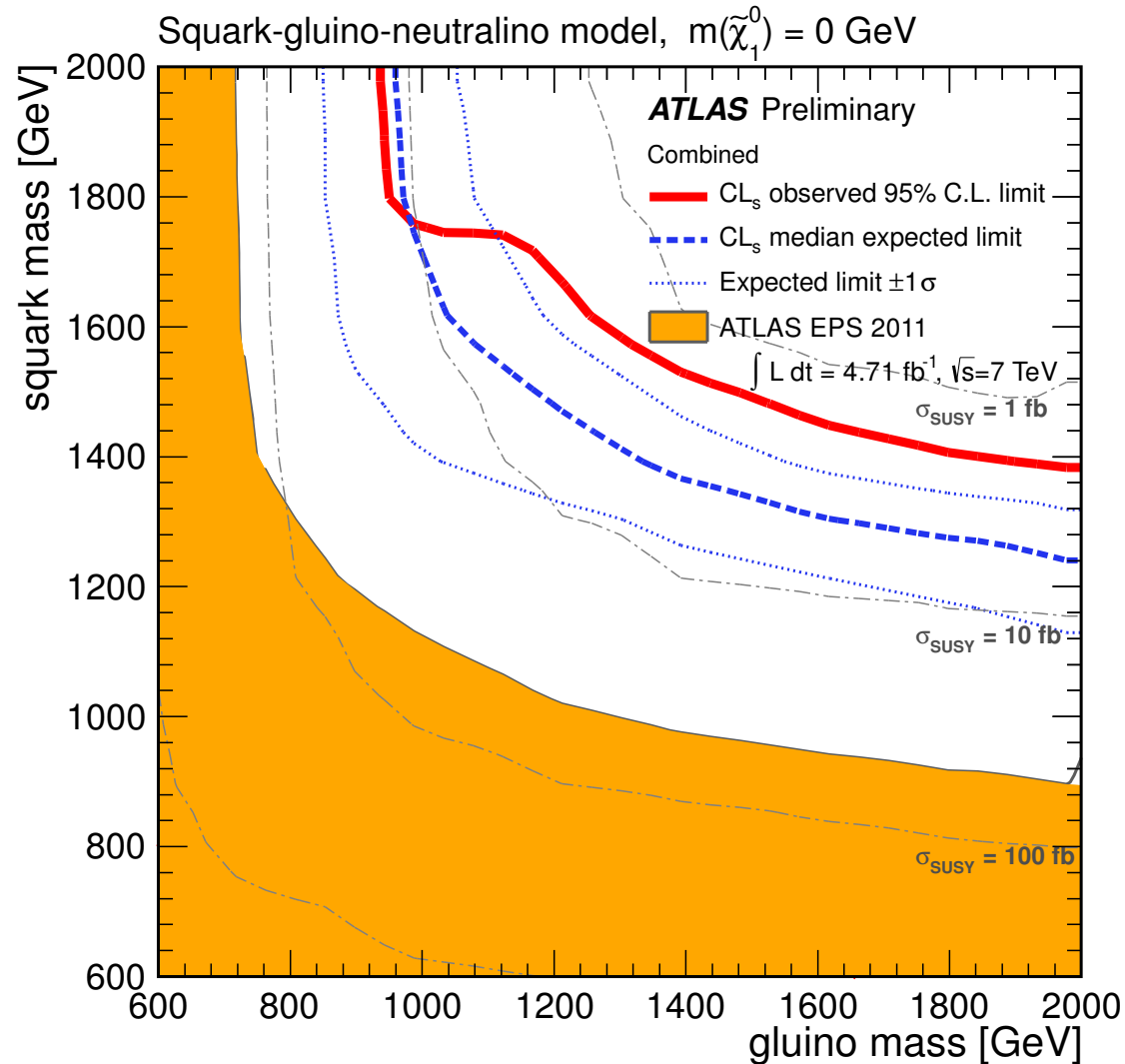
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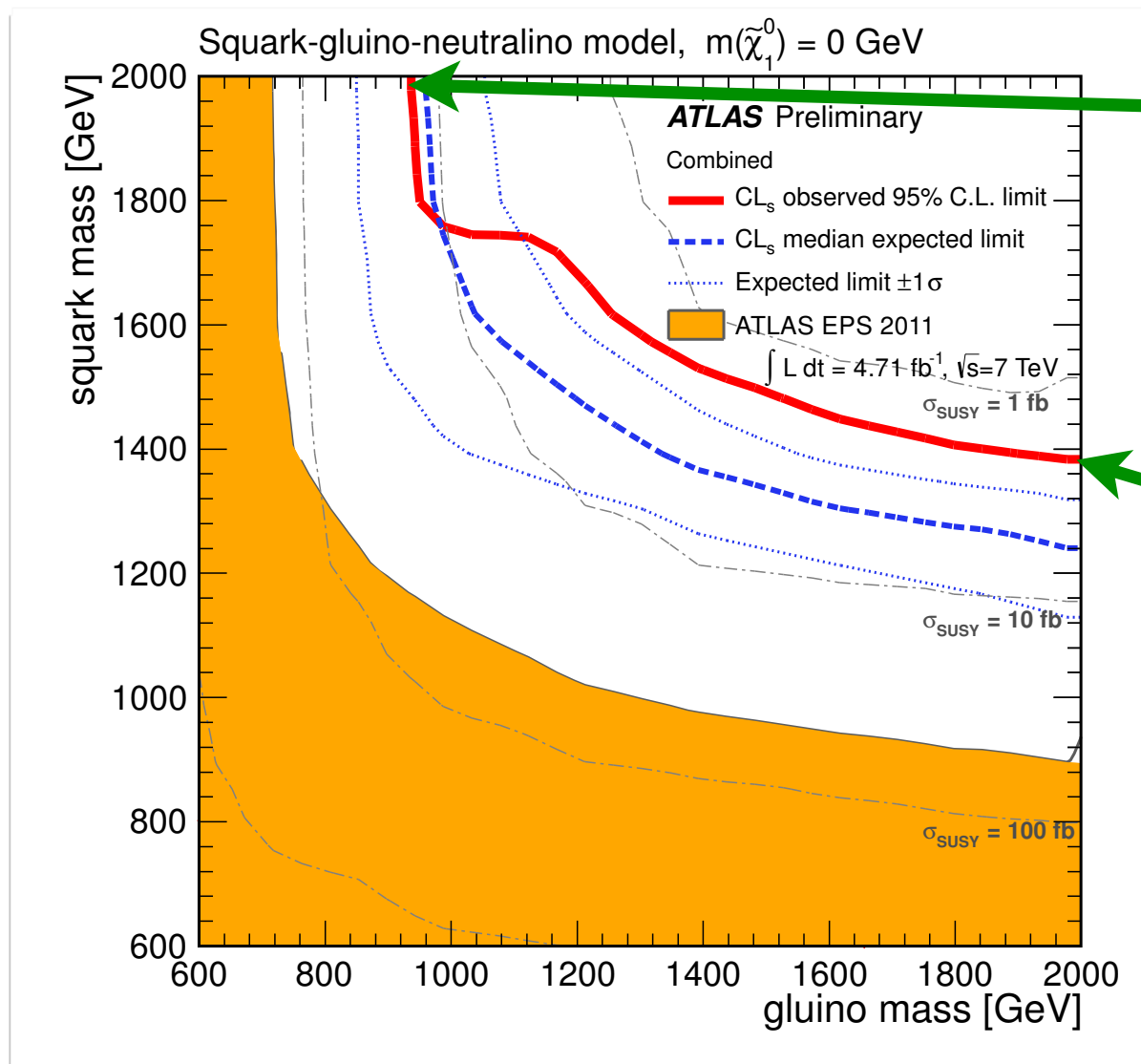
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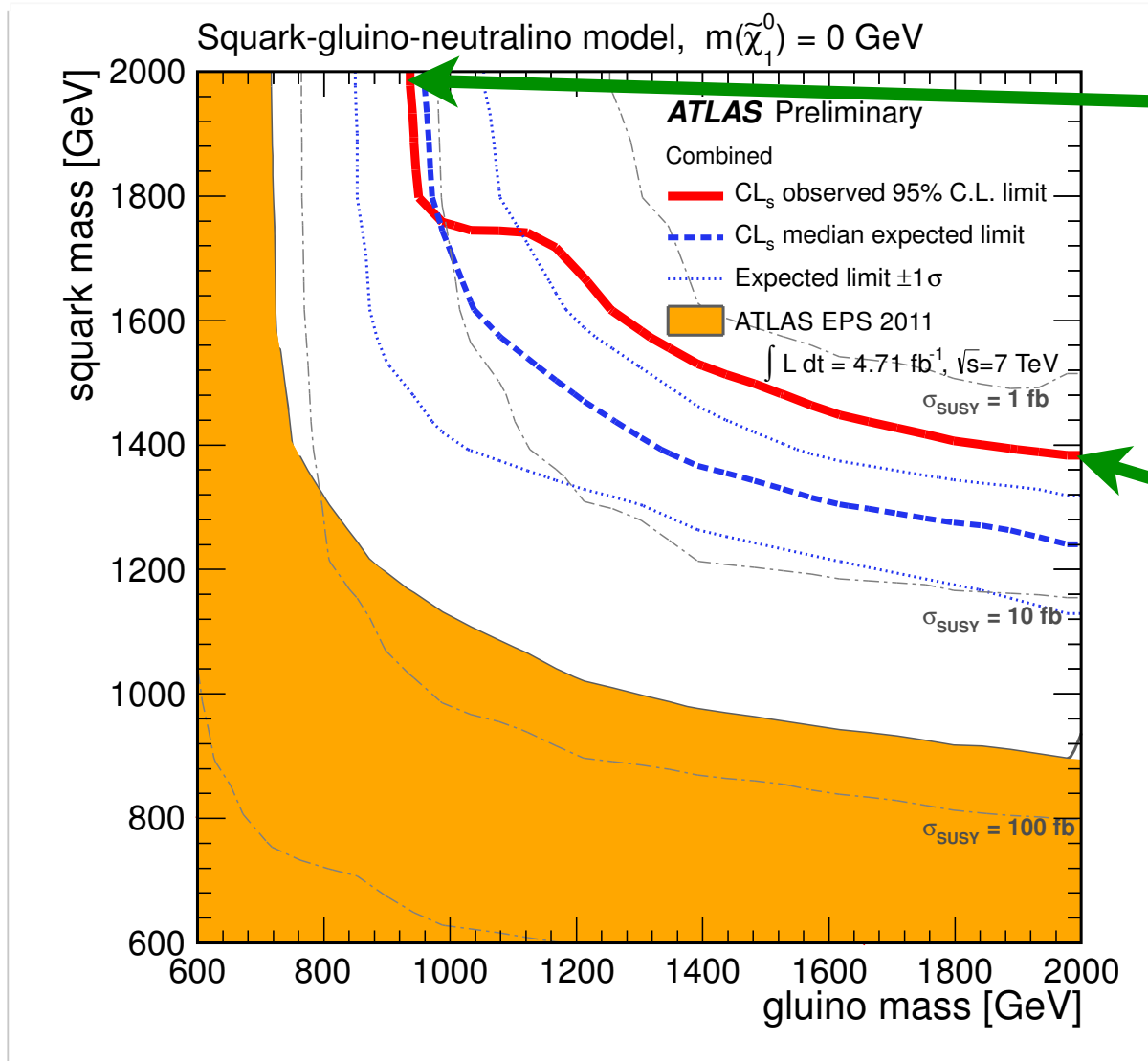
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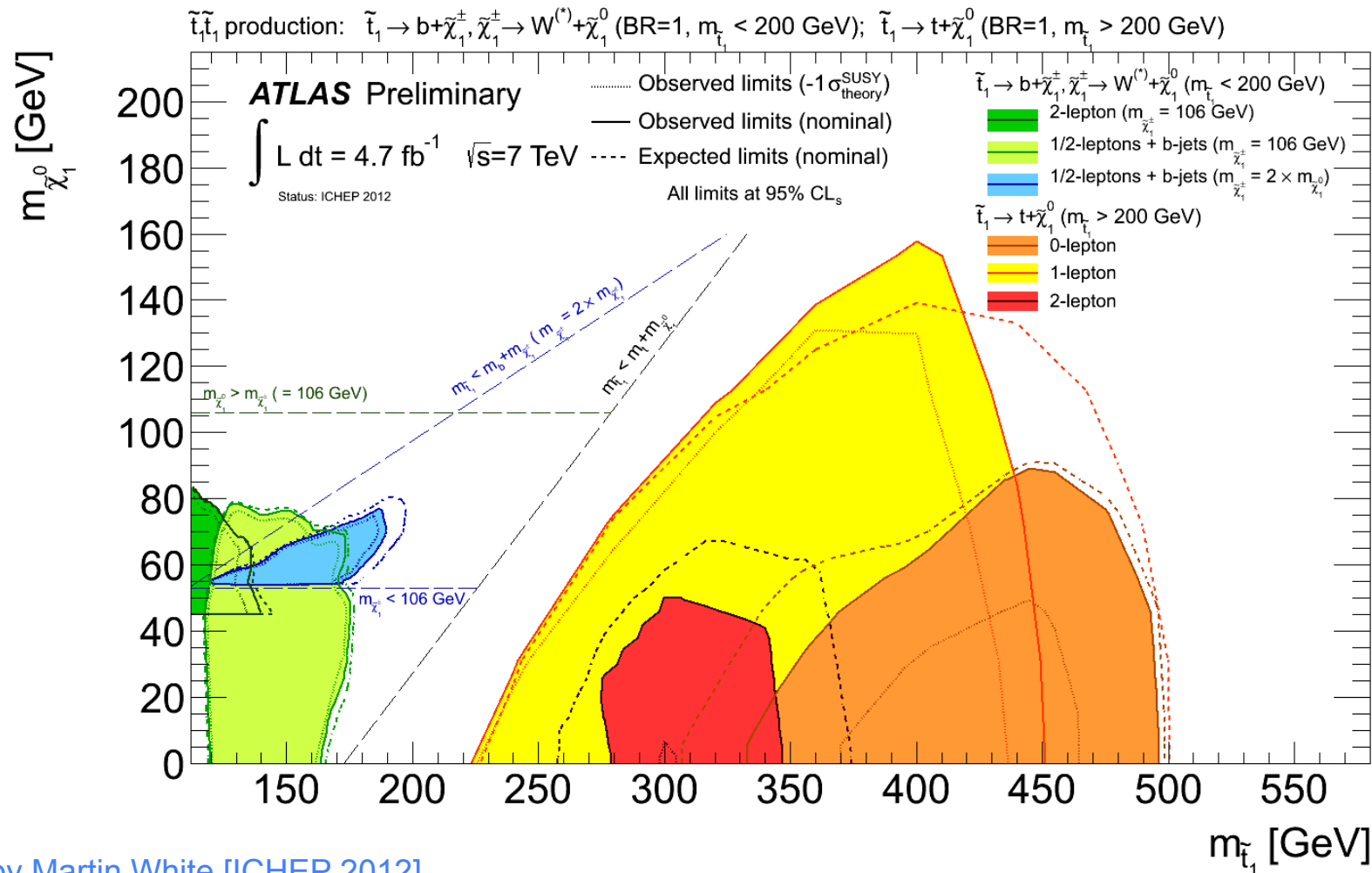
- Dominant contributions:

$$\delta \tilde{m}_{H_u}^2 \simeq -\frac{y_t^2}{16\pi^2} \left(12 \tilde{m}_t^2 \log \Lambda + \frac{32}{\pi} \alpha_s |M_3|^2 \log^2 \Lambda \right) + \dots$$

“Natural Supersymmetry”

- A “natural” spectrum only requires that the 3rd generation squarks and gauginos are light. [Dimopoulos, Giudice \[1995\];](#)
[Cohen, Kaplan Nelson \[1996\]](#)
 - Also referred to as a “split-family” or “more-minimal SUSY” spectrum.
- LHC bounds on these particles are weaker than on the 1st and 2nd generation squarks. [Papucci, Ruderman, Weiler \[arXiv:1110:6926\]](#)
- Helps alleviate flavor problems.
 - These models can not solve the flavor problem due to tachyonic constraints from 2-loop contributions.
- Known ways of mediating SUSY are flavor blind (e.g. gauge mediation)
- A “natural” spectrum requires novel model building.

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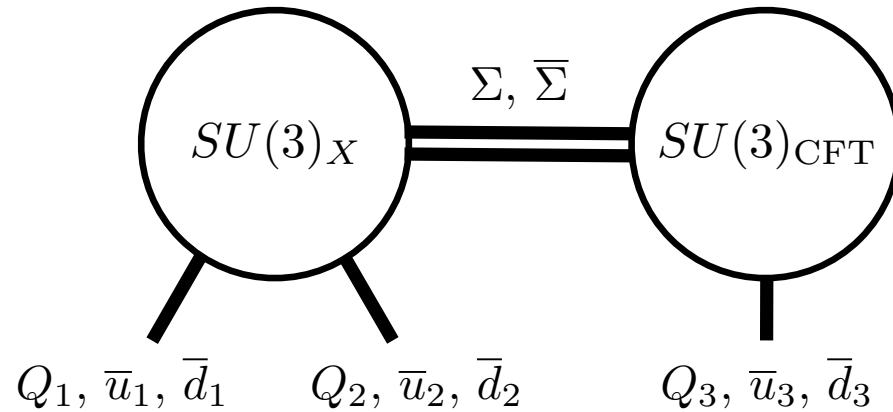
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- Both stop soft masses and A -term are below $O(\text{TeV})$. The stop parameters do **not** imply a Higgs mass of 125 GeV.

THE MODEL

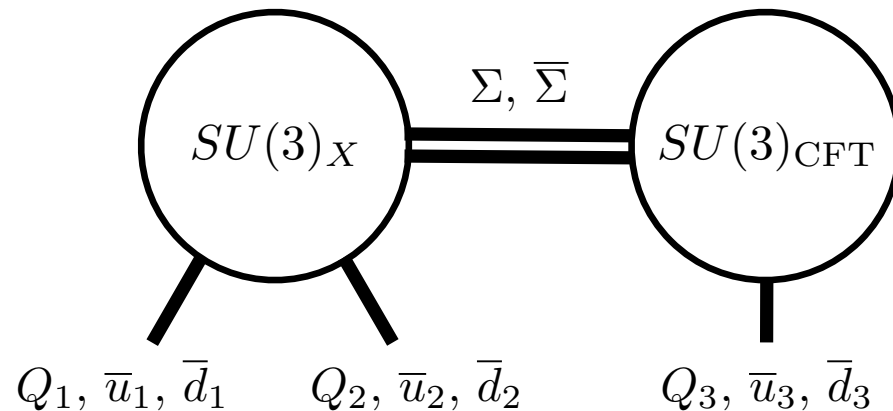
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Relevant mass scales:

—————	M	(the messenger scale)
—————	Λ_{CFT}	(cross-over to the conformal regime)
—————	v	(exit the conformal regime)
—————	m_W	(the weak scale)

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- At the conformal fixed point, all physical couplings flow to their fixed point values.
- Promote couplings to superfields:
 - The higher theta components have mass dimension and thus flow to zero.
 - Since soft parameters are encoded as higher theta components of these superfields, certain combinations of soft parameters will flow to zero.

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 - q_i is the charge under a non-anomalous global $U(1)$ symmetry.

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Note the **R charges**, which can be computed simply from considering the superpotential and the mixed anomalies.

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Yukawa Hierarchies

- Assume all Yukawa couplings are $O(1)$ in the UV:

$$W \supset Y_{ij}^u Q_i H_u \bar{u}_j + Y_{ij}^d Q_i H_d \bar{d}_j + Y_{33}^u Q_3 H_u \bar{u}_3 + Y_{33}^d Q_3 H_d \bar{d}_3$$

- Recall that for a SCFT the anomalous dimension of fields is related to the R charge: $\gamma = 3R - 2$.
- Then we can compute the RG evolution of the Yukawa couplings:

$$Y_{ij}^u(E) = \left(\frac{E}{\Lambda_{\text{CFT}}} \right)^{\frac{\gamma_{Q_i} + \gamma_{u_j} + \gamma_{H_u}}{2}} Y_{ij}^u(\Lambda_{\text{CFT}})$$

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- Since the 3rd generation and 1st/2nd generation fields are charged under different gauge groups, there is no way to write down a renormalizable off-diagonal Yukawa coupling.
- However, the following higher dimensional operators are allowed by the symmetries:

$$W \supset \frac{1}{\Lambda_*} \bar{\Sigma} Q_3 H_u \bar{u}_{1,2} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_*} Q_{1,2} H_u \Sigma \bar{u}_3 + \dots$$

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Flavor

- The resultant IR Yukawa matrix is given by

$$Y^u \sim \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{H_u}}{2}} & \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{H_u}}{2}} & \xi_Q \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{H_u}}{2}} \\ \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{H_u}}{2}} & \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{H_u}}{2}} & \xi_Q \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{H_u}}{2}} \\ \xi_u \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{H_u}}{2}} & \xi_u \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{H_u}}{2}} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

with $\xi_Q \equiv \frac{v}{\Lambda_*} \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{\Sigma} + \gamma_{Q_3}}{2}}$, $\xi_u \equiv \frac{v}{\Lambda_*} \epsilon^{\frac{\gamma_{\Sigma} + \gamma_{\bar{u}_3}}{2}}$ and $\epsilon \equiv \frac{v}{\Lambda_{\text{CFT}}}$.

- This structure can reproduce the mass hierarchy and CKM matrix to a good approximation by varying the $O(1)$ starting value for the Yukawa couplings in the UV and taking

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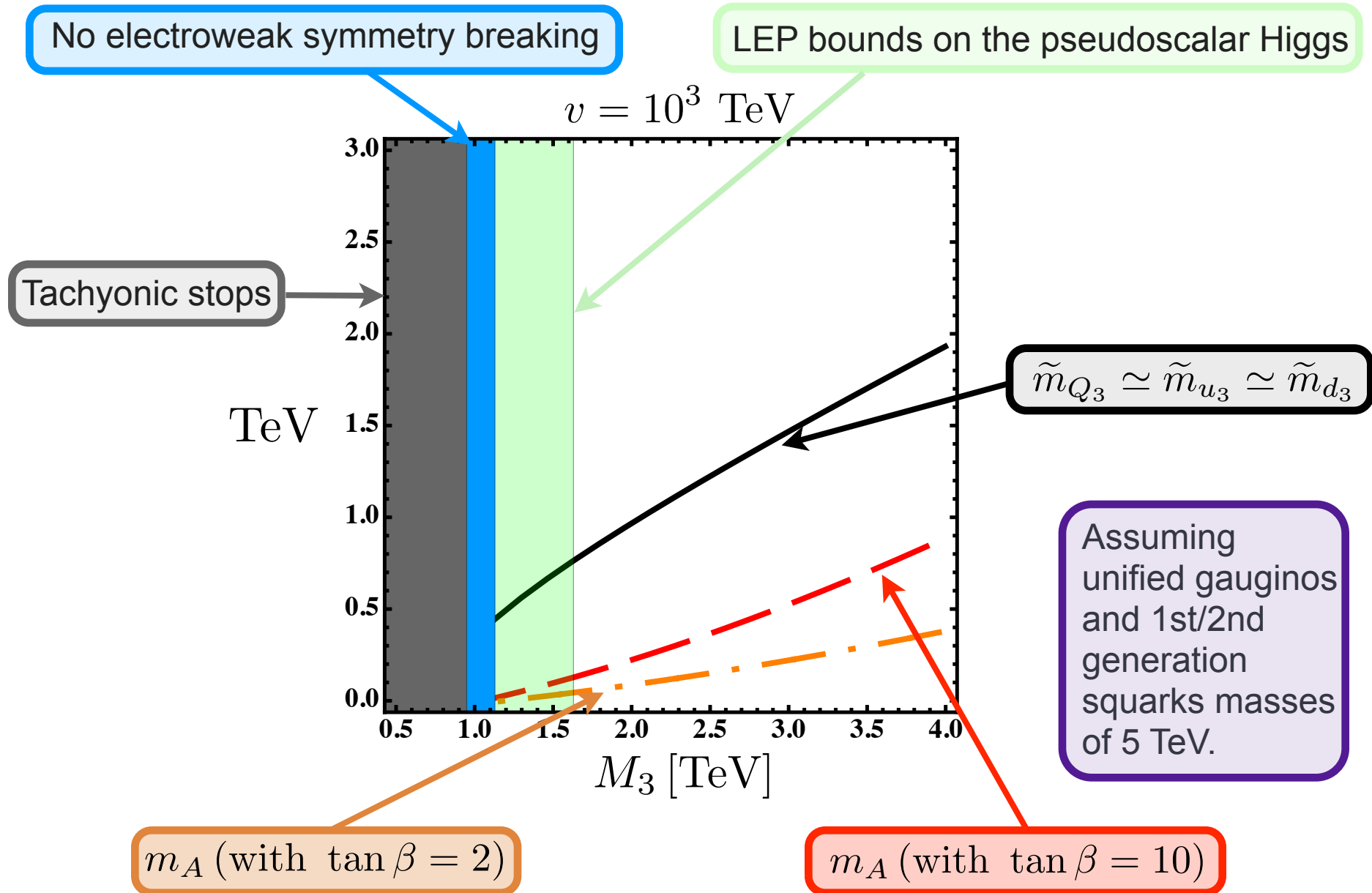
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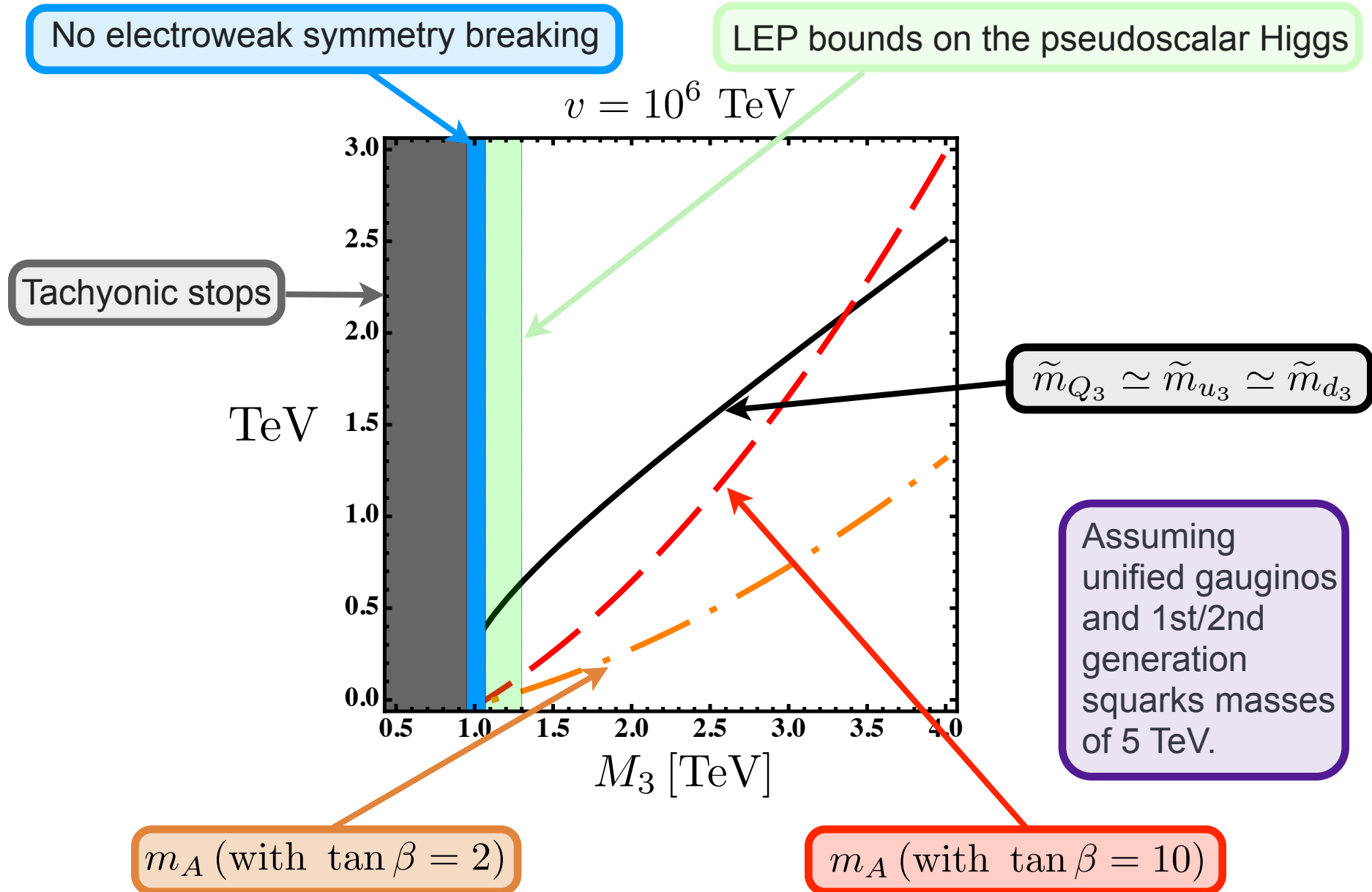
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- Choose a value of $\tan \beta$.
 - The weak scale value of μ is determined from $-m_Z^2 \simeq 2 (|\mu|^2 + \tilde{m}_{H_u}^2)$.
 - This fixes the weak scale value of b_μ using the electroweak symmetry breaking conditions (at tree level).





The Higgs Mass

- Our model does not explain a 125 GeV Higgs boson mass.
- Since the superpotential term $SH_u H_d$ is irrelevant while the CFT is strongly coupled, our model is incompatible with the NMSSM.
- To increase the Higgs mass, one can add a sector which results in non decoupling D -terms.

Batra, Delgado, Kaplan, Tait [arXiv:hep-ph/0309149]

Maloney, Pierce, Wacker [arXiv:hep-ph/049127]

- The results is to take all MSSM Higgs sector relationships and make the substitution:

$$m_Z^2 = \frac{g_Z^2}{2} (\langle H_u^2 \rangle + \langle H_d^2 \rangle) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \Xi^2 \equiv \frac{g_Z^2 + g_{\text{new}}^2}{2} (\langle H_u^2 \rangle + \langle H_d^2 \rangle).$$

- In the spectrum plots we have assumed there is an additional D -term contribution to the Higgs quartic $\Xi = 150 \text{ GeV}$.

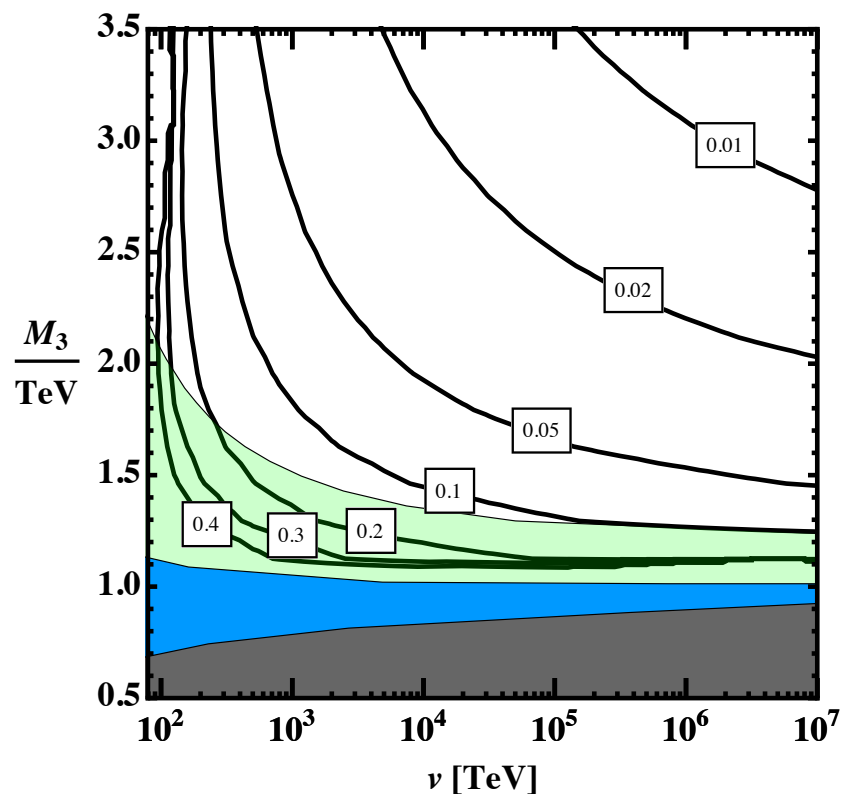
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- Given LHC bounds on superpartners and the discovery of a Higgs at 125 GeV, we are being pushed to rethink the relationship between SUSY and naturalness.
 - Maybe SUSY is hidden
 - Compressed spectra
 - R -parity violation
 - Decays to hidden sectors
 - Something else?
 - Maybe there is a large hierarchy between the 3rd and 1st/2nd generations
- We have presented a model whose dynamics result in:
 - A split-family superpartner spectrum;
 - The hierarchical flavor structure of the quark Yukawa matrices.
- A given gluino mass implies the 3rd generation squark and Higgs sector masses.
- Currently, the strongest bounds on the spectrum are due to the non-observation of pseudo-scalar Higgs.

BACKUP SLIDES

Fine-tuning



Exclusion contours are as in the spectrum plots.

- To get a sense of fine-tuning in this model we adopt a naive low-scale measure. [Kitano, Nomura \[arXiv:hep-ph/0509039\];](#)
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- Plotted are contours of $\Delta^{-1} \equiv -2 \frac{\delta m_H^2}{m_h^2} = -2 \frac{\tilde{m}_{H_u}^2}{m_h^2}$, with $\tan \beta = 2$.
- We see large regions with $O(10\%)$ fine-tuning are allowed.